

DATE OF MEETING: March 14, 2019

PLACE OF MEETING: Pawling Village Hall, 9 Memorial Ave., Pawling, NY

KIND OF MEETING: Business

MEMBERS PRESENT: Chairman Daniel Peters  
John Burweger  
Robert Liffland  
Earl Slocum  
Lauri Taylor  
James Schmitt

CONSULTANTS PRESENT: Catherine Monian of Chazen Companies  
Mike Batz of Severn Trent Services

At 7:00 p.m. the Business Meeting of the Pawling Joint Sewer Commission was called to order by Chairman Daniel Peters with the Pledge of Allegiance.

**MOVED** by Chairman Peters to;

- Approve the February 14, 2019 Business Meeting Minutes as presented
- Approve February 2019 Treasurer's Report as presented
- Approve payment of February 2019 Vouchers/Bills as presented and the March 2019 prepay vouchers
- Approve transfer of \$264.27 from Capital Fund#811000000 to O&M MMA#0811000030 for Haight St. pump station upgrade project.

**SECONDED** by Commissioner Burweger. All were in favor and motion carried.

#### New Business

**MOVED** by Commissioner Liffland to approve Pay Request No. 10 for \$52,036.25 to J&J Sass Electric. Ref#1619. **SECONDED** by Commissioner Burweger. All were in favor and motion carried.

**MOVED** by Commissioner Slocum to approve Pay Request No. 12 for \$310,716.24 to OCS Industries, Inc. Ref.#1719. **SECONDED** by Commissioner Burweger. All were in favor and motion carried.

**MOVED** by Commissioner Liffland to waive the \$100.00 quarterly fee to two tenancy customers, #004 & #072 that are in the new expanded sewer district area. Chairman Peters said these are two tenancy agreement customers that are now in the district and part of their tenancy agreements there were fees attached which are no longer necessary. **SECONDED** by Commissioner Burweger. All were in favor and motion carried.

**MOVED** by Commissioner Slocum to approve Technical Services Change Order 2 for Billing Software as per Ref.#1319. **SECONDED** by Commissioner Schmitt. All were in favor and motion carried.

Chairman Peters said he needs approval for purchase of a pump for the main pump station at the sewer plant. He said the quotes are in Ref.#1919 and he asked Mike Batz to explain.

Mike Batz said that the main pump station has 3 pumps in it. Currently there is one that has a bad motor, the second pump the bearings are bad on it. It's running right now but they had to get a diesel standby pump that they needed to rent because if that pump goes down the pump station will be flooded with wastewater.

And the third pump is doing half the flow of what's normal. He said the long and the short of it is that there are three pumps that are over 20 years old.

Chairman Peters said they absolutely have to get one pump. He said the other one is going to be reevaluated to see if it could be re-built. He said second pump is running right now the bearings are howling so if that goes down they are in a world of trouble, that's why they have to rent a standby pump.

Mike said that parts for the pumps are from Switzerland and at least 10 weeks out.

Commissioner Slocum said he is so surprised that they don't have backup pumps for this pump station. They have backups for every other station and this is a main pump. He said it makes no sense to not have a backup so this doesn't happen again.

Commissioner Liffland said he's wondering why that pump wasn't put into the plant expansion project.

Chairman Peters said the pump stations aren't necessarily part of the plant and they do have a pump station upgrade project that they've been working on for a number of years.

Mike said that his recommendation is that the Commission should look at getting two new pumps with the hopes that they can rebuild one of the two pumps that will be coming out.

Commissioner Taylor asked if they buy two pumps will they get a better deal on the price.

Mike said no.

**MOVED** by Commissioner Slocum to authorize the purchase of two pumps from TAMS for \$9,853.00 each as per quote Ref.#1919. **SECONDED** by Commissioner Burweiger. All were in favor and motion carried.

### Consultants Reports

Sewer Operator Report – Mike Batz said that at the main pump station one of the VFD's are bad and they are working on getting a price on that.

He said he spoke with Chazen today, they had the electrician look at the VFD's and they saw that the wiring is bad. He said one of the most obvious issues in there is mice and squirrels must have gotten in there and chewed up the wires and that's probably why the VFD went down. This all just happened this afternoon.

Chazen will do an assessment of the electric in the building and see what route will be best to take.

Mike said another thing that was found today is inside the blower building the roof is leaking. He spoke with Karl and that is something they can do in house this week.

Commission Member Comments

There were none.

**MOVED** by Commissioner Liffland to close the Regular Business Meeting and go into Executive Session. **SECONDED** by Commissioner Schmitt. Time: 7:18 p.m. All were in favor and motion carried.

**MOVED** by Commissioner Taylor to close the Executive Session and open the Regular Business Meeting. **SECONDED** by Commissioner Burweger. Time: 7:38 p.m. All were in favor and motion carried.

**MOVED** by Commissioner Schmitt to close the Regular Business Meeting and Adjourn. **SECONDED** by Commissioner Taylor. Time: 7:39 p.m. All were in favor and motion carried.

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Earl Slocum, Secretary